


The Examiner has indicated (paragraph 7 of the office action) that claim 13 is allowable of rewritten in an independent form. This has been done and is presented herein as claim 21. New claim 21 combines original claims 1, 6, 12 and 13.

It is submitted that new claim 21 and all of the claims dependent thereon are now allowable to the applicant (claims 2-5, 7-11, 14 and 18-20). Claims 15-17 should also be allowable to the applicant for the reasons previously set forth.

In view of the above allowance of the claims in the application are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted


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